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Washington, D.C. 20515

January 5, 1999

Dear Sirs:

As appointees of the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce (ACEC) we are writing to share with you our endorsement of James S. Gilmore, III, Governor of Virginia as Chairperson of the ACEC. This new Commission needs a leader who can bring together the interests of state and local governments, private businesses and consumers to make sense of the myriad issues relating to taxation and electronic commerce. Governor Gilmore is highly qualified for this responsibility.

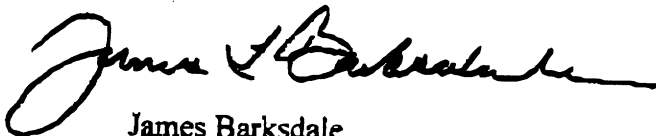
Governor Gilmore demonstrated hands-on leadership on Internet-related issues by his early and active involvement in the passage of the Internet Tax Freedom Act that has provided us this opportunity to consider the important issue of how the current tax system impacts electronic commerce. In addition, he has already established a national reputation for his initiative to promote the Internet through the creation of the Governor's Commission on Information Technology.

The mission of the ACEC is truly important. Our work will make a difference in how quickly and effectively electronic commerce will be encouraged over this dynamic medium. As this letter demonstrates, we are committed to taking our duties and responsibilities seriously. Due to the tight time constraints imposed on the ACEC, we are seeking to fulfill our charge as set forth in the establishment of the ACEC as soon as possible.

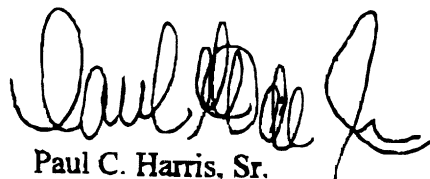
Very Truly Yours,

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Chairman, California Board of Equalization  
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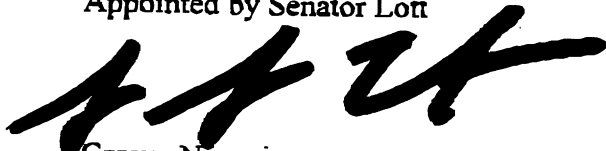
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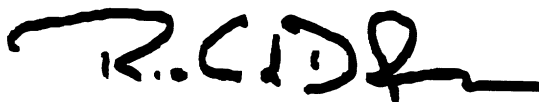
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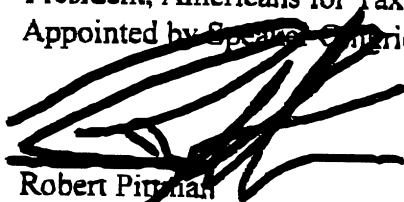
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Virginia House of Delegates  
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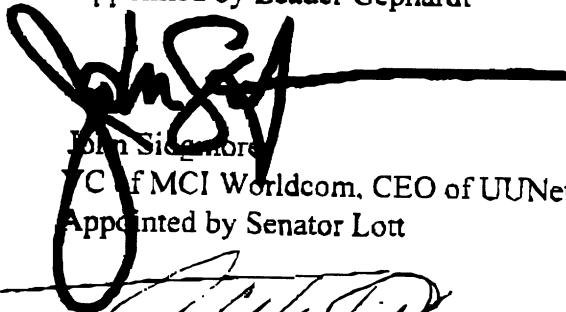
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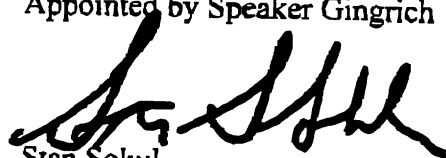
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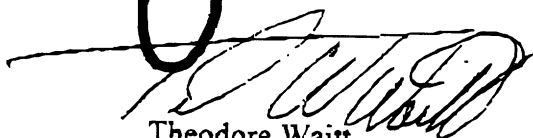
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